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## AN UNSAFE LEADER

Platt Explains Further His Reasons for Opposing McKinley.

## FINANCIAL RECORD AGAINST HIM

Says the Ohio Candidate Has Always Acted on the Money Question in Accordance with What He at the Time Considered Popular.

New York, May 14.—Ex-senator Thomas C. Platt gave out the following statement last night at the Fifth Avenue hotel: "The McKinley managers have undertaken to break the force of my charge that his financial record shows that he is an unsafe leader for the republican party at this time by printing extracts from his recent speeches. These extracts consist of a lot of general phrases about the necessity of having a currency 'as good as the best,' of our 'keeping all our dollars equal in value,' and all that sort of thing. But the McKinley managers are away from the point. The point is not that McKinley has made no remarks and cast no votes that tend to the maintenance of good money, but that he has made all sorts of remarks and cast all sorts of votes, and, in a word, that he has acted in every situation not from settled principles and convictions but in accordance with what he considered at the time to be popular.

Even Sought His Influence. "Now, if we are going to nominate Major McKinley for president we should do it with our eyes open and with the full knowledge of what we have got to stand up against during the campaign and with as good a view as we can get of how his election will turn out in its consequences to the people in their affairs and to our party in its fortunes. It is charged that the 'bosses' are against McKinley, that he is the 'people's man.' There is not a single one of all the men who are offensively styled 'bosses' who has not been repeatedly importuned by McKinley's managers to support the Ohio candidate. They have not omitted even so humble a person as myself from those whose influence they have sought. This attempt to picture McKinley as a modern St. George running the blade of pure and high-minded politics down the red and horrid jaws of the dragon boss is one of the many contemptible humbugs that have characterized his canvass.

Superior Statesmen. "It is perfectly notorious that McKinley's managers have used all possible inducements to secure delegates for their candidate, while, on the other hand, any one of these superior statesmen who are mentioned as the 'candidates of the bosses,' would take office, if nominated, without a single pledge, direct or implied, to embarrass his course or to afflict his conscience. The methods that have been used to work up this McKinley 'cyclone' may be all very well for the kingly-sold mugwumps and that sort, but they make a so-called 'unscrupulous boss' like myself stand rather abashed.

Mortgaged Up to His Eyes with Pledges. "It is believed on all sides that the man who is placed in nomination at St. Louis will be the next president of the United States, that the utter detestation into which the democratic party has fallen and the deep desire of everybody for a return to republican policies are enough to carry any republican candidate, within a reasonable range of selection, into the white house. The republican delegates therefore have an incomparable opportunity. It is their supreme duty to nominate a man whose developed character and achieved record indicate that with his leadership republican policies will secure the longest application. They should find their candidate who will take office with the confidence of the country and not with its apprehension and distrust; who is known to be a free agent and not mortgaged up to his eyes with pledges that can never be performed and expectations that can never be satisfied; who is safe and not erratic, conservative and not impulsive, firm and not impressionable. If these general principles are agreed to, they render the selection of Major McKinley impossible.

## Foresees the Gravest Dangers.

"And I repeat that my opposition to him proceeds from the fact that I foresee the gravest dangers to the republican party when he has been elected and we settle down to the work of restoring to this country the prosperity of which it has been robbed by the democratic sectionalists and free traders. The financial question cannot be ignored. It might not have been especially troublesome just yet if there had been an uninterrupted period of republican rule, but even then its embarrassments would have been only postponed. A protective tariff is only half our task and much the lesser half, because much the less difficult of accomplishment. We are all agreed about protection, but if our bill were ready to-day and if its enactment could be a complete fact simultaneously with the president's inauguration, a return of the prosperity that we used to know would be still far distant.

## Finance the Great Question.

"The great question, then, is the financial question and nobody can look at Mr. McKinley's record and read the conflicting and generally flabby things that he has said on that subject without perceiving that he has no fixed opinion about it, and that he has been turned and twisted by every changing wind of what he thought was public opinion. The most explicit statement that he has ever made upon the subject in these words which he delivered in congress on June 24, 1890, when he moved for a conference committee: 'I am for the largest use of silver in the currency of the country. I would not dishonor it. I would give it equal credit and value with gold. I would make no discrimination. I would utilize both metals as money and discredit neither. I want the double standard, and I believe a conference will accomplish these purposes.'

Friendly to Silver. "It is all very good for McKinley's managers to come to New York and say that he is 'as sound as they are on the money question,' which may be true and yet mean a great deal, but I want the business men of New York to understand that this extract which I have quoted from McKinley's speech has been sent by these same managers all over the southern and western states for the purpose of showing that McKinley is 'friendly to silver' and that the free coinage people can safely give him their support.

Too Much Thought Given to "Bosses." "The republican party is not in favor, as Mr. McKinley says he is, of the double standard. It is without disguise a gold standard party. It has had enough of crazy schemes to make money out of all sorts of paper resting on all sorts of security. I submit to the business men of this country, whose sentiment can always control a nominating convention, that they would better do some thinking between now and the sixteenth of June on other subjects than the silly twaddle of newspapers about 'bosses' and 'boss rule.'

## A. P. A. AND MCKINLEY.

Action of Advisory Board Likely To Be Repudiated by Supreme Council.

Washington, May 14.—Every indication points to an absolute repudiation by the supreme council of the A. P. A. now in session in this city, of the action taken by the executive committee of the advisory board against McKinley's candidacy. There has been much feeling expressed over the matter and the executive committee has been severely criticized. But the members of that body have not given any indication of a back-down, but meet the criticisms with intimations that those composing the supreme council are endeavoring to get in line with his friends since McKinley has shown such strength. The trouble in the organization has been intensified by the action of the executive committee of the advisory board last evening in presenting to the board a report adhering to its anti-McKinley decision. The meeting of the board was the most important event of the day. A member of the executive committee said last night that the report which the executive committee presented to the advisory board is in accord with the statement made public at the time McKinley was blacklisted. He also said that the action of the committee was based on affidavits made by prominent Ohio citizens.

## May Censure the Executive Committee.

It is likely that the advisory board will censure the executive committee. This will take the question of McKinley's repudiation out of the hands of the supreme council and will allow the advisory board to make another report to the convention. There is no doubt, however, it is said, that the question of McKinley's candidacy will be discussed by the supreme body, and, as stated, the attack on McKinley will be discarded. But before getting down to the main question the convention will have to consider a motion which will be made to-day referring the subject of the executive committee's action and the position of the A. P. A. towards McKinley to a special committee for investigation. This motion will provide that the special committee shall report on all candidates for presidential honors.

## Woman's Missionary Society.

Erie, Pa., May 14.—The Woman's General Missionary society of the United Presbyterian church held a session here yesterday. There were 300 delegates and alternates present, and the reports of the financial officers showed that the receipts for the year were \$65,000 and the expenditures \$71,000. The opening exercises were conducted by Miss Pressley of Allegheny City. Miss M. McKeown, who, after thirty years' labor in Egypt, lost her eyesight and is totally blind, addressed the convention.

## Work on Albany Capitol.

Albany, May 14.—The new capitol construction commission has prepared a list of men who are to go to work on Saturday, when work will be resumed on the building. Three hundred men will be placed at work. Nearly all of the old foremen will be retained.

## FIVE YEARS IN PRISON

Sentences Imposed on the Leaders of the Transvaal Raid.

## PRIVATE ADVICES RECEIVED IN BERLIN

The Sentences of the Other Members of the Reform Committee Said To Have Been Reduced To One Year's Imprisonment Each.

Berlin, May 14.—A private telegram received in this city says that the sentences of Col. Francis Rhodes, brother of Cecil Rhodes, ex-premier of the Cape Colony; John Hays Hammond, the American mining engineer; Lionel Phillips and George Farrar, who were condemned to death by the high court at Pretoria upon charges of treason in being active members of the Johannesburg reform union, which was held to have instigated Dr. Jameson's raid into the Transvaal, have been commuted to imprisonment for a term of five years. The sentences of other members of the reform committee who were found guilty in connection with the conspiracy and raid and were condemned to imprisonment and banishment and to pay a fine of \$10,000 each, have been reduced to one year's imprisonment. The telegram is as yet unconfirmed.

## PARDONS FOR INSURGENTS.

Weyler Extends a Recent Edict To Apply To Two More Provinces.

Havana, May 14.—Reports have been received here of several encounters between government troops and insurgents, but no engagement of importance has taken place. According to these reports the rebels lost eleven killed and two taken prisoners. The losses of the Spaniards were one officer and seven privates killed and two wounded. Capt. Gen. Weyler has extended temporarily the operation of the last edict issued by him granting pardons to insurgents who shall surrender to the authorities within a specified time so that it now applies to the provinces of Havana and Matanzas, as well as to the Pinar del Rio provinces. United States Consul-General Williams has presented to the authorities the claims of two of the prisoners alleged to have been members of the last filibustering expedition and requested that the men be granted a civil trial on the ground that at the time of their capture they were not bearing arms. He has also made a similar request on behalf of the Frenchman who recently arrived here on an American ship.

## More French Newspaper Criticisms.

Paris, May 14.—The French newspapers continue their attitude of opposition to the United States, so far as Cuba is concerned. The *Elclair* says: "It is clear that Brother Jonathan has just as much scruples as his brother John Bull. He wants to interfere at any price in affairs which do not concern him. This policy will not find supporters in France."

## Morton's Position on the Money Question.

Albany, May 14.—Gov. Morton, in reply to a telegram from a New York newspaper asking him whether he favored the continued use of silver, and if so at what ratio and under what conditions, sent the following: "I have only to say: Our last republican state convention declared the position of New York state republicans, including myself, on the money question. I stand on the New York platform."

## Verdict for Slander.

Boston, May 14.—In the superior court a verdict of slander has been given Rev. Matthew J. Haves in his suit for damages for slander against John J. Dorey. The plaintiff is a retired Universalist minister, and the testimony showed he was falsely accused of adultery and blackmail by Dorey. The defense was a general denial.

## Drouth in Connecticut Causes Anxiety.

Waterbury, Conn., May 14.—The drouth in this section of Connecticut has assumed serious proportions and is causing much anxiety on the part of farmers. Vegetation is rapidly drying up, and unless the drouth is speedily terminated the hay crop will be spoiled.

## For Giving a Concert on Sunday.

Boston, May 14.—The complaint against Eugene Tompkins, proprietor of the Boston theatre, for giving a concert on May 3, (Sunday) for other than a charitable or religious purpose, has been continued to May 27, in \$100 bail. The concert was that of Sousa's band.

## Nolan Evades New Britain Police.

Hartford, May 14.—The negligence of the New Britain police has resulted in the escape of "Patsy" Nolan, of Bridgeport, whose blow probably caused the death of "Johnny" Houlihan. The participants in the fight cannot be found.

## Military Instructor Wanted.

Albany, May 14.—An open competitive civil service examination for the position of military instructor in the State Industrial school at Rochester will be held at that institution on May 26, 1896. The salary of the position is \$1,500 per annum.

## DANGEROUS FORGERS

Cregan and Becker's Operations Have Involved Thousands.

## THE LATTER LEADER OF A BAD GANG

They Will Make a Desperate Fight Against Being Taken Back to California, But Their Efforts Will Probably Fail.

Newark, N. J., May 14.—Cregan and Becker, two of the quartet of forgers, who were arrested here yesterday and held under \$15,000 bail each for a hearing one week hence, will make a desperate fight to baffle the efforts of the San Francisco officers to secure extradition papers for them. In this they will probably fail as they are known to have conducted operations throughout the country involving thousands of dollars. According to the story told by one of the Pinkerton detectives who effected the arrest, Becker is the leader of a gang of the most dangerous and the most sought forgers in this country. He is said to be able to perform the cleverest work known to bank swindlers. The specific crime for which the men are wanted and for which they have been indicated in San Francisco is the raising of a draft from \$12 to \$22,000 and upon which they obtained all of the money. Of this amount \$20,000 was paid in gold.

## Well Supplied with Money and Jewels.

The men have been searched for high and low for five months. The other two are now in custody in San Francisco. They were arrested in Denver, Col., more than three months ago and removed to the Golden Gate city. They were not tried for the alleged reason that, without the arrest of Cregan and Becker, the chief conspirators, their conviction would have been difficult. When searched at police headquarters \$2,307.85 was found upon the persons of Cregan and Becker. Cregan had one \$1,000 bill, twelve \$100 bills, and some change. Becker had the remainder of the money, jewelry worth at least \$1,500 was also taken from them. Cregan had a diamond ring in his pocketbook which is worth at least \$100, and Becker wore a sapphire scarf pin set in diamonds which is probably worth about \$250.

## RAINES LAW MONEY COLLECTED

The State's One-Third from New York City So Far Amounts to \$127,712.

Albany, May 14.—The one-third or state's share of money collected under the Raines liquor tax law is already being received by the excise commissioner of the state. The amount of the state's share from New York city Kings and Erie received to date is: New York city, \$127,712; Kings, \$76,050; Erie, \$60,035. These amounts were received yesterday.

## American Wheelmen Defeated.

New York, May 14.—The Paris correspondent of The American Wheelman cables that the second series of races between the American team and European champions resulted disastrously for the Americans. The one mile scratch race was won by Jaap Eden, the Dutch champion, with Morin second and Macdonald third. Johnson did not ride in this race, but is scheduled for next Sunday.

## Do Not Believe the Suicide Story.

Haverhill, Mass., May 14.—A gentleman in this city has received a letter written by Mrs. Katherine Hill Corning on board the steamer New York, dated May 6, the day on which she sailed for Europe. Friends here take no stock in the suicide story. She sailed under the name of Katherine Hill, which was her maiden name.

## Against Carrying Children on Bicycles.

Chicago, May 14.—The officers of the Illinois Humane society have announced that they will prosecute persons who take young children or infants on the front of their bicycles and ride with them in the streets or on the roads. The practice is declared to be injurious, even when no accident takes place.

## Amateur Road Cycle Races.

Philadelphia, May 14.—A somewhat general impression prevailed that the racing board of the L. A. W. would rule upon prize values in amateur road races. Such is not the case, nor will any attention be paid to the 100-mile limit.

## Italian Prisoners Set Free.

Massowah, May 14.—The Abyssinians have liberated the Italians who were made prisoners at Agama, and it is stated that Ras Mangascia will liberate the rest within a week.

## Courses in Pleading and Practice.

New Haven, Conn., May 14.—One of the most thorough courses in Connecticut pleading and practice will be given by Judge Prentice at the Yale law school, beginning with the opening of the college year in September.

## Sympathy for Justice Brewer.

Washington, May 14.—The Venezuelan commission yesterday afternoon adopted resolutions of condolence with Justice Brewer, and the meeting adjourned as a mark of respect.

## JERSEY FOREST FIRES.

Much Property Destroyed and Fears Entertained of Loss of Life.

Sea Isle City, N. J., May 14.—The most disastrous forest fire ever experienced in Cape May county has been raging fiercely since Sunday. Houses and barns have been destroyed, thousands of acres of fine timber land have been laid waste, and it is reported that lives have been lost in the conflagration. The village of California Mills, near the head of the river, has been almost totally destroyed. Nearly a score of houses, including a big mill and a schoolhouse, were destroyed. The villagers were forced to flee for their lives and saved little of their belongings. The flames spread to Sacktown, sweeping everything before them. Several families on farms had no time to save even household goods, barely escaping with their lives. Fears are entertained for the safety of several wood choppers and their families who live in the centre of the burned district. The Hebrew colony of Woodbine is threatened with destruction. All efforts up to last night to check the flames were unsuccessful. Many families will be rendered homeless.

## TREASURY GOLD RESERVE.

The Steady Decline Has Reduced It To \$114,456,381.

Washington, May 14.—The withdrawals of gold from the treasury yesterday were \$1,535,900, which reduces the treasury gold reserve to \$114,456,381. The last bond issue of \$100,000,000 in February raised the reserve to \$125,000,000, but since that point was touched the reserve has steadily declined. All the gold due from that bond issue—\$111,000,000—with the exception of \$600,000, has been paid into the treasury. Since February 1 last the treasury has lost \$49,000,000 in gold. The loss this month has been \$11,500,000, and since the beginning of the fiscal year July 1, 1895, \$140,000,000.

## BLESSING TO BOTH NATIONS.

Chamberlain Says England Lost the American Colonies by Mistakes.

London, May 14.—Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, in an address at the unveiling of a memorial window in Cordwainers' hall, London, yesterday afternoon, said that England lost the American colonies which now form the United States by mistakes, which would not be repeated. Nevertheless, Mr. Chamberlain declared that he was inclined to think the loss a blessing to both nations if, as he devoutly wished and prayed, the two great Anglo-Saxon nations should go forward in continued peace and amity.

## SINGING BY WOMEN TOLERATED

A Canadian Archbishop, However, Still Objects to Mixed Choirs.

Montreal, May 14.—In a circular which he has just addressed to his clergy, Archbishop Fabre suspends for the time his previous order prohibiting women from singing at the public church services. He says that he will tolerate singing by women, but at the same time it must be understood that mixed choirs are forbidden, and that women are not to be allowed to form part of the orchestra.

## Bolt and Nut Pool.

Boston, May 13.—Within the past few days the organization of a gigantic bolt and nut pool has been completed in this city, and as a result the wholesale and retail prices of bolts and nuts have increased 50 per cent. within the past month. All the principal bolt and nut manufacturers in this country, with a few exceptions, have joined the corporation. It is said that J. M. Parks, treasurer of the Atlas tack corporation and commissioner of the nail pool, engineered the deal.

## Fleming Murder Case.

New York, May 14.—When the court opened this morning in the case of Mrs. Fleming on trial for the murder of her mother by poison only three jurors were in the box. It is doubtful if a jury can be completed within the next ten days.

## Race Track License Issued.

Albany, May 14.—The state racing commission has granted a license to the Brighton Beach Racing association to conduct running races and steeplechases from July 23 to August 14.

## Killed in an Awful Manner at Sea.

Philadelphia, May 14.—Geo. Tucker, aged 32 years, an oiler on the Clyde line steamship Pawnee, was killed by the machinery Tuesday while out at sea. Tucker was oiling the engine and in leaning over with his oil can he lost his balance and fell under the crank shaft. He was horribly mangled and died almost instantly. His body was sewn up in a canvas sack, and when the steamer arrived here the coroner was notified.

## Foreign-born Bluejackets in Our Navy.

Washington, May 14.—Admiral Ramsay, acting secretary of the navy, has informed the senate, in response to its request, that of the 9,323 bluejackets in the United States naval service 4,400 are foreign born, and 861 of the 2,017 marines are natives of other countries than the United States. The percentage of Americans in the navy is, however, increasing.

## THE DUPONT CASE

Senate Resumes Consideration of the Delaware Contest To-day.

## EXPECT TO DISPOSE OF IT TO-MORROW

Only Three Appropriation Bills Yet To Be Passed—House Still Considering the Rinkier-Downing Election Case.

Washington, May 14.—The disposal by the senate yesterday of the river and harbor bill leaves only three of the annual appropriation bills to be acted on. These are the District of Columbia bill, the fortifications bill, and the deficiency bill. Before either of them is taken up the Delaware senatorial election case will be disposed of, and that case is before the senate to-day and will not be gotten out of the way before to-morrow afternoon. The amendment which had been offered to the river and harbor bill by Senator Gorman, dem., Md., limiting expenditures under the bill to \$10,000,000 a year, was yesterday afternoon, after a long discussion, laid on the table by a vote of 40 to 23. An amendment in the same sense, limiting the expenditures under contracts to 20 per cent., was offered by Senator Bate, dem., Tenn., and met a like fate by a vote of 37 to 18; and then, after a somewhat bitter encounter of words between Senator Allen, pop., Neb., and the chairman of the committee on commerce, Senator Frye, Rep., Me., the closing speech in advocacy of the bill and in response to criticisms of it was made by Mr. Frye, who told some facts in illustration of the immense growth of river and lake commerce of the United States. The railroad freights, he said, had been cut down within the last twenty years from three and one-half cents a ton per mile to about three-quarters of a cent a ton per mile, and yet the people wanted cheaper freights. This requirement could only be met by improving water facilities; and for that reason the intelligent people of the United States were asking for river and harbor improvements. The vote on the passage of the bill was: Yeas, 57; nays, 9; the senators who voted in the negative being Messrs. Allen, pop., Neb.; Bate, dem., Tenn.; Chilton, dem., Tex.; Harris, dem., Tenn.; Hill, dem., N. Y.; Kyle, pop., S. D.; Smith, dem., N. J., and Vilas, dem., Wis. The bill as it passed the house appropriated \$10,594,718, and authorized contracts for thirty-two projects involving aggregate liability of \$51,721,210. As it was reported to the senate the amount appropriated was \$13,714,370. That sum was increased by various provisions in the senate, including the Deep Sea harbor in southern California.

## House of Representatives.

The house is again to-day considering the Rinkier-Downing contested election case, which has already occupied one day of that body's time. The debate yesterday was participated in by Mr. Lacey, rep., Ill., in favor of Downing, and Mr. Dalzell, rep., Pa., who gave reasons for not assenting to the report unseating Downing. Messrs. Hepburn, rep., Ia., and Connolly, rep., Ill., strongly favored the seating of Rinkier.

## HIS VACATION NEARLY OVER.

No Significance Attached to the Summons to Washington of Minister Terrell.

Washington, May 14.—No significance is attached to the summons sent to Minister Terrell, who is now visiting his family at Austin, Tex., to report to the president. There is no knowledge of any impending trouble in Turkey. In view of the fact that not much of his leave of absence remains unexpired it may be that Mr. Terrell will not return immediately to Texas from Washington, but will rather choose to go direct to his post. It was the understanding when the Rev. Dr. Knapp, the American missionary who was expelled from Bitlis, was brought to Constantinople under charges preferred by the Turkish officials, that his trial would take place before Minister Terrell, and this fact may operate to hasten Mr. Terrell's return to Constantinople.

## Newspaper Muted for an Error.

Fonda, N. Y., May 14.—In the case of Alonzo Sitterly vs. the Journal company of Albany, tried in the supreme court, the jury returned a verdict of \$1,100 for the plaintiff. The action was brought for alleged libel, a mistake having been made in an Amsterdam news item. The item stated that Sitterly had been arrested, whereas it was another man. The case will be appealed.

## French Imports and Exports.

Paris, May 14.—According to the official returns, the French customs receipts for the first four months of 1896 show increases in imports to the amount of 167,000,000 francs and in exports amounting to 83,000,000 francs, as compared with the same period of 1895.

## Dwyer Buys Ben Eder.

Race Track, Louisville, May 14.—M. Dwyer has bought Ben Eder from "Uncle Sam" McGuigan for \$12,000.



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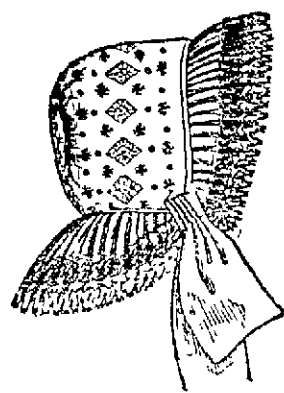
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## A LITTLE HEATHEN.

BY MONTGOMERY M. FOLSOM.

Jack was a heathen. Oh, the little  
imp, how tough he was! I was a model  
boy. I was, for a fact, you may be-  
lieve it or not; I used to hold down my  
head when grace was being said; I  
knew the Ten Commandments and the  
Lord's Prayer by heart, and I was a  
child of many virtues.

Jack was as mean as the old scratch.  
He would cut his eye around at me and  
try to make me laugh while the blessing  
was being asked; he would stick pins in  
the little boys as they knelt at prayers;  
he would rob birds' nests, and when  
remonstrated with would say:

"Why, my gracious, let the old fool  
bird go lay some more eggs, she's got  
the whole summer and 'tain't much  
trouble to lay a few little old eggs like  
them."

We used to read tales in our reading  
books about how bad boys came to bad  
ends, and Jack would laugh at them.

"Shucks!" he would say, "them old  
book men can't fool me. What makes  
gran'ma kill chickens on Sunday, if it's  
a sin to go in washin'?" I notice one  
thing: ol' brother Kiekligher al'us eats  
mighty hearty, and if it was a sin to kill  
'em it'd be a sin to eat 'em. They can't  
scare nobody."

Ah, the dear little old freckled face!  
Worlds would I give to have it come be-  
tween me and the sun again ere I reach  
the vale of shadows.

He would whip the stuffing out of a  
boy for my sake. I remember once a  
fellow called me "wormy." We were  
coming home from Sunday-school, and  
I had resolved not to resent any insult—  
a very convenient way of resolving, by  
the way—and the big boy would have  
gone unpunished but for Jack.

What did he do? He lit onto that fel-  
low, and he pelted him in the burr of  
the ear and got him down and such a  
thrashing that boy never toted before.  
That was Jack's style. No foolish-  
ness about him. He was of that par-  
ticular type of ugliness that denotes  
cussedness and original sin.

I used to pray for Jack when the  
preacher would tell us to pray for all  
those whom we thought needed our  
prayers. Jack was cutting a jagged  
"J" on the back of the seat while I was  
praying for his conversion.

Ah, the days, the golden days, when  
the summers seemed so long. I won-  
der if the summers of paradise will not  
possess that same sweet, delicious  
lingering when the pathos and the pas-  
sion of mortal life are past?

Sometimes I dream of Jack, now.  
The other night, I don't know what got  
into me, but I dreamed that we were  
rambling along the banks of one of  
those winding southern rivers, whose  
languid waters were murmuring, whis-  
pering, lisping among the reeds and  
rushes.

There was a flash of shining sand  
around the bend, and we came to a place  
where there was a thicket of cypress  
saplings. I saw one that would make  
the finest sort of a fishing pole, and  
Jack went to cut it for me. It grew  
right on the bank of a slough of black  
water, on whose sheeny bosom the  
tupelo gum berries were afloat.

I was timid—good boys are not al-  
ways brave boys—and Jack went to cut  
the pole for me. I saw him open the  
little old rusty barlow knife, and he  
reached far over the treacherous bank.  
He had cut it most in two, when  
there was a crash.

"Splash!"  
The spray flew upward in a shower  
and blinded my eyes, and when I  
opened them—Jack was gone!

I was sitting up in bed gasping  
struggling, choking, in my efforts to  
call help. Such dreams are our lives  
made up. Sometimes as I sit gazing up  
at the summer heavens I am startled  
by the illusion that I see that boy's  
face through a rift in the clouds.

Jack was a bad boy. Popper Jo  
used to shake his head and mutter:  
"I tell you, dat boy's sho' ter come ter  
some bad end."

Then he would point to me and re-  
mark:

"But dar's a chile w'at'll be somebody  
Dat's er good chile, de Lawd knows he  
is, an' folk'll make much er him w'en he  
gits ter be a growed up man."

I was so pitifully pious in those  
days. The fact is, I think I was not  
well. The chariot wheels of time rolled  
noiselessly on, and poor old blind Fate  
sat in the doorway of the future,  
with her palsied fingers untangling  
the skein of destiny, her withered lips  
all the while crooning those weird  
clittus whose echoes now and then  
thrill our souls with the warning of  
prophecy.

Jack was as tough as a lightwood  
knut, and nobody ever thought about  
him getting sick. He was too full of  
devilment to stay in bed, but they were  
very careful about me.

One winter we had an awful spell of  
weather and the stock suffered severe-  
ly, for we had no shelter for them in the  
country in the days when I was a boy.  
Jack had a favorite cow that had  
a little calf, and one cold drizzly after-  
noon the cow and calf failed to come  
home. Jack went in search of them,  
and it was late when he came back. He  
had brought the little calf in his arms,  
a good portion of the way, and he drove  
the cow into the lot and gave her a big  
basket of shucks and nubbins, and put  
the little, weakly calf in a warm place.

It was dark when he came in, cold  
and tired, but he was as joyous and  
light-hearted as ever. He went over the  
rigmarole about—

"Amo darre my, romp stomp domi-  
nickier, shuck back, penniwinkle, instep  
nippat, sing song Kitty kin you kinee,  
O," and he cut a shuffle and turned a  
handspring as he came through the  
passage.

Before we went to bed we sat down  
before the fire and took the wet rags  
off his toes and tied them up with some  
dry ones, jokingly calling his big toe  
"big Ike," and the little toe "little Ike"  
as he fixed them.

During the night he woke me up tell-  
ing me he was so hot and that he ached  
all over. I told him to go to sleep and  
not turn over and kick so much. Next  
morning he said he felt too bad to get  
up, and asked me to see about his cow  
and especially the calf.

I grumbled a good deal, and went  
and told grandma that Jack was too lazy  
to get up. She went to see about him  
and she said he had a fever. I went out  
and attended to the cow, expecting to  
find him up when I returned, but he  
was still tossing about in bed, and he  
began to talk foolish.

I scolded him about it and told grand-  
ma. She looked very grave when she  
went in and felt of his face, and she  
went and told one of the boys to go  
after the doctor.

Then I began to get uneasy. The  
place seemed so lonely and I never  
missed anyone so much in my life.

The cat dozed on the hearth in peace  
and the house was so quiet and still.  
The old doctor drove up to the gate in  
his sulky and took out his little leather  
saddle-bags and walked into the room  
where Jack was.

I watched him anxiously and when  
he took grandma aside and talked low  
to her I just caught the word "pneu-  
monia." It was unfamiliar to me, and  
I felt a premonition of coming sorrow.  
All day long I hung about the door,  
and late in the evening they told me  
that I would have to sleep in another  
room. I went in to see Jack, and he was  
tossing about, muttering something  
about his cow.

"I fed her, Jack, and I threw down  
some straw for her to sleep on," I said.  
He looked at me, but he did not seem  
to understand. His eyes were so bright  
and his cheeks were so red that I didn't  
know what to make of it. That night  
I could not go to sleep and kept staring  
at the ceiling, thinking, thinking.

At last I got up softly and stole into  
his room. The candle was burning low  
and grandma and grandpa were  
sitting by the fire. Jack was lying still,  
with his eyes half open and he was  
breathing hard.

"Is he any better?" I asked, with a  
great lump in my throat.

"No, my son, he is mighty sick. Go  
back to bed now."

I went back to my room and I got  
down on my knees. I never will for-  
get that night. I prayed; prayed as I  
never prayed before, as I have never  
prayed since. The words were broken  
with sobs.

Oh, the anguish of those dark hours!  
I would pray awhile and then I would  
stop and wonder if the good Lord  
heard me. Perhaps He was too busy at  
the time, and I would ask Him again in  
my childish simplicity, hoping that I  
might attract His attention.

A way long towards day I fell asleep,  
and the sun was shining when I awoke,  
shining in the cloudless heavens, and  
the day was real mild.

I went into the room where the sick  
boy lay, and I saw that there was a  
change. His face was pale and his eyes  
sunken, and his breath came in gasps.  
I gulped down a sob as I looked at that  
shaggy head, and thought how often I  
had seen it bobbing about the house.  
Such a day as this we would be out  
about the lot and you could hear his  
whistle as merry as a mocking bird in  
May.

And now—  
The candlestick with the half-burned  
candle, three medicine bottles on the  
mantel; the cup and the spoon and all  
the sad reminders of sickness and suf-  
fering Aunt Ailsie walking softly  
about the room, keeping watch while  
the old folks got a little sleep.

"Is he any better?"

"No chile, he ain't no better, honey.  
De doctah say of dey ain't some change  
po' little Jack won't be heah long."

I couldn't bear it. The good old  
mammy came and put her withered  
arms around me and kissed me and told  
me not to cry. I went out to the lot  
and Popper Joe was giving the cow  
some nubbins, and the calf was skip-  
ping clumsily around. The sight of  
them set me to crying again, and I  
turned away. Ah, the dismal day!  
Better the clouds and the dreary rain  
with Jack well, than floods of sun-  
shine and he so sick. Late in the after-  
noon grandma called me.

"Come in here, son, Jack wants to  
see you."

I went into the room. The lingering  
rays of the wintry sun struggled in  
through the windows and fell on the  
snowy counterpane.

His face was ashen pale, and his eyes  
were no longer restless. He looked at  
me and a faint smile played about the  
punched features. It was like the dy-  
ing light of the wintry day.

He motioned me to come closer, and I  
found that his voice was so weak that  
he could but speak in whispers. The  
old doctor sat with his hand on the  
little wrist, and the family were gather-  
ed around the bed.

Then the fountains of my heart were  
broken up and I gave way to my grief.  
"I want you to have all my things,  
Good-by," he whispered, and then they  
took me away.

As I lay sobbing and moaning in my  
room, I heard a cry from Aunt Ailsie:  
"Oh, God bless my po' chile. Dey's  
one mo' angel done gone to glory!"

Now, I have told you the story. I  
cannot, even unto this day, dwell  
further on the sad theme. But it is a  
mystery to me why people should keep  
on harping about good boys and bad  
boys when I know just as well as I am  
sitting here that my boy comrade has  
gone to a better world than this!

And look at me. I was a model boy,  
and have lived to make more mistakes,  
suffer for more sins, and weep over  
more wrecked hopes than I can ever  
tell.

Dear old playmate, here is a tear to  
your memory, to the memory of a bad  
boy whose wantonness was mistaken  
for wickedness. Had you lived who  
knew that your strength might  
have valled in my weakness, and kept  
these erring feet from straying—  
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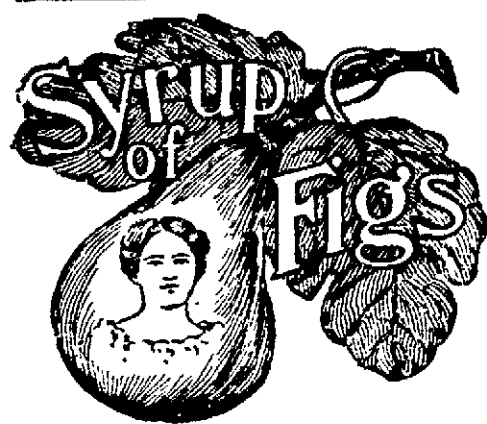
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## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—All Irish peers not peers of parliament are eligible for seats in the house of commons and may represent any borough, county or university in England or Scotland, but not in Ireland.

—Arbor day has been celebrated in Nebraska by the planting of over a million trees between sunrise and sunset. Premiums for the largest plantings were offered by societies and individuals.

—A remarkable coincidence occurred in the death of William Crossley and John Howell, two pioneers of Stockbridge, Mich. Both died the same night, and a few years ago their wives passed away the same day.

—James Buchanan, a fisherman, living on the Duwomish river, in Washington, has recently been bequeathed \$15,000 by a Texas cattle raiser. Buchanan was formerly a cowboy on the cattleman's ranch, and saved the lives of the wife and child of his employer.

—The more the battle ship Indiana is tested, the more the opinion of experts is obtained regarding her, the more clearly is the fact demonstrated that the United States of America have at this moment the most powerful instrument of marine warfare on the terraqueous globe.

—W. A. J. Glidewell, ex-sheriff of Franklin county, Ind., died the other day from a curious combination of causes. A new shoe chafed his foot and inflammation followed, resulting in gangrene. Sympathetic pneumonia completed the chain of unlucky circumstances and proved fatal.

—An immense fissure in the earth has made its appearance on the top of Iron mountain, North Carolina and Tennessee, on the Bakersville road. This opening is six to twelve feet wide and runs along on the summit for the entire length of the mountain, which is several miles. It is supposed to have been caused by the recent rains.

—An analysis of 2,000 accident policies on which benefits were paid shows 351 persons injured by falls on pavements, 243 by carriages or wagons, 75 by horse kicks or bite and 47 by horse-back riding; 117 were cut with edge tools or glass, 96 were hurt by having weights fall on them, and 76 were hurt in bicycle accidents, while 72 were hurt by falling downstairs.

## HORSES AND FLUTES.

How the Sybarites' Enemies Are Said to Have Won a Battle.

Born originally in Greece, it had its renaissance in Italy, and Grisoni and Finaschi must be acknowledged the true fathers of the art, however ready we may be to admit that the courts of Francis I. and Henry IV., by early adoption of the offspring, adorned its development with the courtly grace, luster and urbanity of French influence, which made the manage the art of the princes, as another nation and age made hawking the sport of kings.

"They say," wrote Ben Johnson, "princes learn no art truly but the art of horsemanship. The reason is, the brave beast is no flatterer. He will throw a prince as soon as his groom." The Greek theory of education, as we find it in Plato, was of a twofold kind: "One of gymnastics relating to the body, the other of music for the sake of a good state of the soul," briefly, as Mr. Pater expresses it, "a gymnastic fused in music." This system of education the Greeks applied no less to the training of horses than of men. In the earliest extant treatise on riding, Xenophon pointed out that horsemanship, like dancing, was dependent fundamentally on the play impulse, that for anything to be done well it must be done for pleasure; "what the horse does under compulsion is done without understanding, and there is no beauty in it any more than if one should whip and spur a dancer." The horse must become an artist, too, in his manner, and use his limbs with rhythmic freedom.

So far was this carried that Athenaeus relates how the Sybarites taught even their horses to dance at their feasts to the music of the flute; and on one occasion their enemies put their knowledge of this habit to humorous account, by taking out flute players to battle and winning the cavalry over to their side by causing the horses to dance to a favorite air, just as the Pied Piper played the rats of Hamelin into the Weser.—London Quarterly Review.

## A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morri-on of Worthington Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00.

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## Strike Against a Non-Union Man.

Buffalo, May 14.—Thirty-two pressmen employed by the Matthews-Northrup company went out on strike last night, because of the refusal of the concern to discharge a non-union man who was hired a few days ago. It is probable that a sympathetic strike that will close the establishment will be inaugurated. This would throw 250 people out of work.

## National League Games Yesterday.

At Louisville—Louisville, 5; Brooklyn, 4. At Chicago—Chicago, 4; Boston, 9. At Cleveland—Cleveland, 14; Philadelphia, 4. At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh-New York game postponed on account of rain.

## Standing of the Clubs.

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Boston	13	8.619	N. York	7	13.330
Chicago	13	9.501	St. Louis	7	15.131
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## Minor League Games.

Toronto, 6; Syracuse, 3. Buffalo, 13; Rochester, 7. Wilkesbarre, 13; Springfield, 9. Scranton, 6. Providence, 2. Newark, 10; Wilmington, 15. Metropolitan, 19; Hartford, 1. New Haven, 3; Paterson, 5.

## College Games.

Harvard, 10; Williams, 9. Brown, 5; Wesleyan, 3. Lehigh, 8; Pennsylvania, 13. Amherst, 14; Technology, 7. Princeton, 9; Lafayette, 9. Yale varsity, 13; Yale graduates, 3.

## Receiver for Fire Insurance Company.

Boston, May 14.—In the supreme court Judge Allen has appointed Charles E. Ware of Fitchburg, Mass., receiver of the Massachusetts Mutual Fire Insurance company.

## Cholera at Alexandria.

Alexandria, Egypt, May 14.—Thirty-five fresh cases of cholera were reported to the authorities here yesterday.

## Science to the Rescue.

The curtain was up on the first scene, but the characters did not appear. In their stead the stage manager glided in and looked over the footlights. "For years," he pleasantly remarked, "we have talked of elevating the stage. You will now see it done." He waved his hand toward the prompt side and almost instantly the stage slowly rose. When it had reached a height of perhaps six feet the manager, with another gesture, stopped it. "If any gentleman in the audience is still unable to see the stage," he affably remarked, "let him speak right up and we'll cheerfully give him another hoist." Then a shrill voice arose from the back row. "Just a couple o' feet more, Mr. Manager," said the voice, "an' I'll have the ha-ha on this dum aigrette in front of me!" Then the play went on.—Cleveland Post.

## Your Boy Won't Live a Month.

So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had Lung trouble, following Typhoid Malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying: "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for Lung trouble. Trial Bottles Free at McMonagle & Rogers Drug Store.

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## FIGHTING MOTHS IN CARPETS.

Liquide Which Are Repugnant to the Destroyer of Woven Goods.

Carpets were never cheaper nor better than now, but until times are better we shall have to take care of our old carpets. The moth is the great enemy to be fought and defeated. There are efficacious remedies. One is to steep one-fourth of a pound of cayenne pepper in one gallon of water, then adding two drachms of strychnia powder. Strain and pour this into a shallow vessel, such as a large tin-lined milk pan. Roll the carpet up and set each end alternately in this mixture for ten minutes, or long enough to insure the saturation of its edges for about an inch. Do this after beating the carpet. The ends should likewise be treated. Be sure the carpet is dry before tacking down, as the wet poison might injure the fingers while tacking. When done with the liquid throw where it possibly cannot harm anybody, or bottle and label for future use, marking it "Carpet moth poison." This preparation will not stain the carpet nor corrode metals in contact with the carpet.

Another mixture calls for one pound of quassia chips, one-fourth of a pound of cayenne pepper, steeped in two gallons of water, strained and used as above.

When the carpet to be treated is not to be taken up, spray ends, edges, margins and corners with the atomizer. Perhaps two or three applications might be better than one with the atomizer.

The carpet moth loves the bindings and margins of a carpet. Ingrains or three-plys may be treated successfully while down by wringing a cloth out of hot water, laying it over the bindings and edges and ironing with a hot iron. This will destroy both moth and eggs. This method is not effectual with moquettes or other heavy carpets, as the heat will not sufficiently penetrate them, besides which ironing injures the pile of velvets; still, the tacks can be drawn occasionally and the carpet laid over on its edge, one side at a time, and steamed on the wrong side. Then wipe the floor under the carpet as far as the arm can reach with hot cayenne tea. Also wipe the edge and bindings of carpet with a hot rag, rubbing hard before renailing. Some recommend sprinkling salt around the sides of the room before nailing down the sides of the carpet, but this seems wrong, because the salt will surely attract too much moisture.

Be on the lookout for the Buffalo carpet beetle as early in the year as February and March. Look out for them on the windows and window sills, and over all woolen clothing not in frequent use. The moth has a special liking for red carpet. But the pest comes also later in the year, being sometimes brought into the house in flowers. It has a particular love for the blossoms of the spirea. It is a good plan, where the moths are unusually bad to saturate the floor with benzine, or preferably, we think, with spirits of turpentine, which is not so inflammable nor volatile, and then lay newspapers down under the carpet. This prevents an attack from the underside. It is important to remember that the moth always abhors the light, which is death to the eggs and larvae, and is really the best thing with which to circumvent them.

Corrosive sublimate and alcohol in the proportions of 60 grains of the former to one pint of the latter is useful for treating the edges of the seams of the carpet where the pest is bad, but the poison is so deadly that great caution is required in its use, especially where babies are around.

The moths deposit their eggs in the early spring. This, therefore, is the season to put away furs and woolen goods for the summer. It is not the moth, but the larvae, that does the harm. Thoroughly beat the goods with a rattan and air them for several hours in the sunlight if possible. Wrap up in a newspaper perfectly tight. If this work is done properly there will be no need of an air-tight chest or cedar chest. Moths do not have any fear of cedar or moth balls, but they will not go through paper or cotton textiles. Indeed, a cotton bag or other wrapping is just as good as paper. Once a month take out the goods and examine them in the sunlight and give them a good beating. When the moths are not so bad, as in some seasons and localities, this monthly inspection may not be necessary. But this is really the fur dealers' secret of preserving their stock. Camphor is bad for fur, as it impairs their beauty by turning them light. Camphor may be sprinkled among the woollens, but secure wrapping in paper or cotton is good enough. The above method may be used to preserve feathers also.—Good Housekeeping.

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and easy to operate, is true of Hood's Pills, which are up to date in every respect. Safe, certain and sure. All druggists, 25c. C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Young mothers dread the Summer months on account of the great mortality among children caused by bowel troubles. Perfect safety may be assured those who keep on hand De Witt's Colic & Cholera cure, and administer promptly. For cramps, bilious colic, dysentery and diarrhoea, it affords instant relief. W. D. Olney.

Erzema is a frightful affliction, but like all other skin diseases it can be permanently cured by applications of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It never fails to cure Piles. W. D. Olney.

## SALT RHEUM.

and Eczema cured. These two corn plagues are so tenacious that the readers of the Argus should know of the success obtained by using Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. Where all other treatments have failed it has made a complete cure.

No more horrible case of Salt Rheum was ever reported than that of Wilbur L. Hale, Quartermaster, Pratt Post, G. A. R., Rondout, N. Y. Several physicians utterly failed to render him any relief; finally

## DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

was tried and steady improvement followed its use, and a permanent cure resulted.

It is used with similar success in cases of scrofula, nervousness, kidney and liver complaints, and in all diseases brought about by bad blood and shattered nerves.

In Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claim against the estate of Catherine Spellman, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at the residence of Emmet J. McBride, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the 24th day of November next. Dated Middletown, N. Y., April 30th, 1894. EMMET J. MCBRIDE, Executor.

In Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claim against the estate of Geo. McBride, late of the town of Greenville, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at the residence of Emmet J. McBride, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the 24th day of November next. Dated Middletown, N. Y., April 30th, 1894. EMMET J. MCBRIDE, Executor.

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Sold Only by W. D. OLNEY, Middletown.

## ECONOMY STORE.

May 9th, 1896.

If the law prohibited the wasteful extravagance of money, we would have a monopoly of the millinery trade. We have a good start that way now, and these items will help in other lines.

- 3 in a set, with extra handle free; \$1 usual hardware store price.
- 19c Per Set Clauss Knives.
- 3 in a set, same as 'Crispy,' used to be \$1, now 19 cents.
- 25c for a Sailor. Short back, black or navy, 'twould be 50c most places.
- 29. 35. 39c Printed Ribbons. Our customers tell us other folks want near double for less attractive ribbons.
- 15c a Pair for Taffeta Gloves. Hermsdorf black, too, that means they came from over the big pond.
- 10c a Pair Pillow Shams. Stamped, only enough for one day's selling, would be cheap at 19c a pair.
- 69c Set Mrs. Potts' Sad Irons
- 15c Cents' Hem-stitch Rice Silk Handkerchiefs 2 for 25c., instead of 25c each.
- 29c Ladies' Shirt Waists. Unwaisted, full sleeve, standard cloth, fast colors, navy, blue and black grounds.
- 3c Stamped Doilies Hemstitched, fringed or uncut. New goods, neat too.
- 18c Doz Skeins Silk. Wash embro dery, good quality, exactly half value.
- 5c for Ladies' Waist Set. They are worth,—Well, just look at them; you wouldn't believe us here
- 10c a Box Butter-milk Soap. Mo. day and Tuesday. We buy of the maker or couldn't make this price.

## Casino Theatre Co.

For Itching Piles, Irritation of the genitals, or itching in part of the body, Doan's Ointment is worth its weight in gold. No matter how long standing the trouble, Doan's Ointment will not fail to give instant relief.



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THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1896.

The Deposit pearl button factory, which came to grief about a year ago, because of lack of capital, has figured prominently in the local Republican organs as a promising industry "killed" by the Wilson tariff. Yet local capitalists, most of them Republicans, who knew that the Wilson bill had nothing to do with the concern's failure, have re-organized the business with ample capital, and it is now employing fifty hands and its prospects for the future are said to be very bright.

The statement of Orange county's receipts under the Raines law, which is printed elsewhere, is of interest as showing how unequally the law distributes the burdens of taxation. Newburgh and Port Jervis alone have paid \$49,410 of the \$71,210 received, or nearly five-sevenths of the total amount. When Middletown dealers, most of whom are now selling under extended licenses, pay their tax, which will amount to about \$17,000, the three places named will have paid \$66,410, or over three-quarters of the county's total receipts. Sixty per cent. of the tax is returned to the locality from which it was paid, but forty per cent. is appropriated by the State, and of this the greater part comes from Newburgh, Port Jervis and Middletown. In other words, whatever reduction in the State tax is made possible by the Raines law benefits the smaller and no-license towns of Orange county at the expense of the larger places, and this being the case works a very evident injustice.

Whatever may be thought of the Raines law as a revenue measure, it has sorely disappointed those who hoped and expected it would regulate and restrain the sale of liquor. It has opened wide the way for Sunday selling, and from every locality in the State comes the same report of hotels, real or fictitious, doing a larger business on Sunday than on any other day in the week. The law, too, is so odious and unpopular that many people who have no consuming Sunday habit seem to make it a point of honor to patronize sandwich hotels to show their contempt for the measure. In few of any of the rural counties have there been prosecutions for violations of the law, but in the cities juries have shown themselves most reluctant to convict, even in cases where the evidence was plain, and they have evidently felt that the penalties are so severe that it is well to err on the side of too much mercy. All of which means that no law can be enforced which is not sustained by public sentiment.

The harmony that prevails in the Republican party is becoming decidedly accentuated. The Tribune tells the bosses of the New York machine that there is no room for them in the McKinley band chariot but that, if they show the right spirit, they may have the job of dog under the wagon. Gen. Grosvonor, one of McKinley's best friends, comes to New York, to proclaim that Platt, by his attack on McKinley, has "clouded the political future" of the men who follow his lead and stand by Morton. Platt, still relentless, burns more bridges by giving out another interview in which he assails McKinley's financial record, and declares that he is "mortgaged up to the eyes with pledges that can never be performed and expectations that can never be satisfied." He says that the pretense that McKinley is the spontaneous choice of the Republican party is a "contemptible humbug," for he and other so-called "bosses" have been repeatedly importuned to help along the "McKinley cyclone" and have been offered all sorts of inducements. So reckless have the McKinleyites been with promises of official place and legislative favors that Mr. Platt does not hesitate to declare that while their methods may be all right for "illegitimate mugwumps," they make an "unscrupulous boss" like him, self stand abashed. Mr. Platt closes his interview with an appeal to the business men of the country to do some thinking between now and June 15th and put forth all their influence to save the country from the business hazards and financial uncertainties in which the nomination of an extreme protectionist and a currency "wobbler" will involve it.

## When Nature

Needs assistance it may be best to render it promptly, but one should remember to use even the most perfect remedies only when needed. The best and most simple and gentle remedy is the Syrup of Figs, made by the California Fig Syrup Company.

## LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

### RAINES LAW RECEIPTS.

The Total Collections in the State Far Short of Expectations.

ALBANY, May 14.—The total amount collected in the State for the issue of tax certificates under the Raines law to date, exclusive of moneys collected in Orango and Schuyler counties, is \$3,546,370, of which the State gets one-third.

### GUILTY OF PEARL BRYAN'S MURDER

CINCINNATI, May 14.—Scott Jackson, who was tried at Newport, Kan., for the murder of Pearl Bryan, has been convicted of murder in the first degree, the jury recommending the death penalty.

### NEW YORK BONDS NOT IN DEMAND

LONDON, May 14.—New York City's \$4,000,000 of gold bonds, yielding 3 per cent at the present rate of exchange which were offered here were just barely sold.

### COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Twentieth Annual Meeting Held at Chester, Yesterday—Interesting and Profitable Exercises.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Orange County Sunday School Association was held, yesterday, in the Presbyterian Church at Chester. A little more than half of the 161 Sunday schools in the county were represented by 150 delegates. The exercises were very interesting and profitable. Eighty-nine schools made full statistical reports, which showed 369 conversions during the year. The Presbyterian school at Chester, with an average attendance of 90 reported 30 conversions, seven schools reported home departments. The largest contribution of the year, \$1,500 was reported by the school of Trinity Methodist Church, Newburgh.

The principal addresses were by Rev. Dr. Robinson, of this city, on "The Individuality of the Teacher," Rev. R. B. Clark, of Goshen, on "The Results of the Convention," and Rev. E. T. Sanford, of Cornwall, on "The Responsibility of the Teacher." Brief addresses were also made by Rev. F. A. Heath, Rev. J. W. Norris and Mrs. J. E. Cox, of this city. It was voted to contribute \$100 to the State association.

The old officers were re-elected as follows:

President—O. E. Millepaugh, Goshen.

Executive Committee—H. M. Green, Washingtonville; Marcus O. Seare, Basking Ridge; R. H. Wood, Goshen; W. D. Barnes, Newburgh.

Recording Secretary—A. B. Hurst, Middletown.

Corresponding Sec'y—David E. Linn, Middletown.

Treasurer and Financial Sec'y—E. A. Brown, Port Jervis.

Ladies' Aid Sec'y—Julia E. Manning, Johnson.

The delegates were most hospitably entertained by the people of Chester.

### To day's Excursions.

Mr. Geo. B. Adams showed his enterprises by arranging for a special excursion over the N. Y. S. and W. road from Ogdensburg to Middletown to give the people along that road an opportunity to see the Parade at the Casino. The special train brought in seventy-two passengers.

The O. and W.'s excursion from Rockland was not so well patronized.

## Bank

President Isaac Lewis of Sabina, Ohio, is highly respected all through that section. He has lived in Clinton Co. 75 years, and has been president of the Sabina Bank 20 years. He gladly testifies to the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and what he says is worthy attention. All brain workers find Hood's Sarsaparilla peculiarly adapted to their needs. It makes pure, rich, red blood, and from this comes nerve, mental, bodily and digestive strength. "I am glad to say that Hood's Sarsaparilla is a very good medicine, especially as a blood purifier. It has done me good many times. For several years I suffered greatly with pains of

## Neuralgia

in one eye and about my temples, especially at night when I had been having a hard day of physical and mental labor. I took many remedies, but found help only in Hood's Sarsaparilla which cured me of rheumatism, neuralgia and headache. Hood's Sarsaparilla has proved itself a true friend. I also take Hood's Pills to keep my bowels regular, and like the pills very much." ISAAC LEWIS, Sabina, Ohio.

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists, \$1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.



WOMEN AND WOMEN ONLY are most competent to fully appreciate the purity, sweetness, and delicacy of CUTICURA Soap, and to discover new uses for it daily. To cleanse, purify, and beautify the skin, to allay itching and irritation, to heal chafings, excoriations, and ulcerative weaknesses, nothing so pure, so sweet, so speedily effective as warm baths with CUTICURA Soap, followed, when necessary, by mild applications of CUTICURA (ointment), the great skin cure.

Sold throughout the world. Price, CUTICURA, 50c; SOAP, 25c; RESOLVENT, 50c, and \$1. POTTER DRUG AND CHEM. CO., Sole Proprietors, Boston. How to Produce Permanent Hair, mailed free.

### Fought for a Woman's Ring.

Two young men quarreled on James street, this morning, about a young woman's ring, which one had and the other one wanted. The man who wanted the ring threatened to "do up" the man who had it and they adjourned to a quiet place and fought it out, the fellow who was going to "do up" the other getting the worst.

### Almost Thrown into the Street.

About noon, to-day, as a gentleman and lady were driving on North street, near the post office, the king bolt came out or broke, and the front wheels were pulled from under the wagon, allowing the body to drop to the pavement. The occupants of the vehicle managed to keep their seats and a gentleman who witnessed the accident caught the horse and no damage was done.

### O. and W. Special Rates to the G. A. R. Encampment.

The annual G. A. R. State encampment will be held at Union, N. Y., May 17 to 20. Take most direct route. Call at O and W. ticket offices for rates, etc.

### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 15 North Street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, May 14 '96.

	Yesterday	To-day
Sugar	12 1/2	12 1/2
C. & S. F.	15 1/2	15 1/2
O. & C.	12 1/2	12 1/2
Chicago Gas	68 1/2	68 1/2
L. & W.	18 1/2	18 1/2
E. & C. G.	14 1/2	14 1/2
General Electric	34 1/2	34 1/2
L. & N.	60 1/2	61
M. P.	25 1/2	25 1/2
N. & N. E.	97 1/2	97 1/2
N. W.	104 1/2	105
Sauquoit & Western	20 1/2	21
Sauquoit & West. pref.	20 1/2	21
O. & W.	10 1/2	10 1/2
Manhattan	9 1/2	9 1/2
Southern Ry.	10 1/2	10 1/2
C. & H.	70 1/2	70 1/2
O. & M. S. F.	17 1/2	17 1/2
W. Union	7 1/2	8
St. Lead	86 1/2	86 1/2
July Wheat	63 1/2	63 1/2
July Corn	25 1/2	25 1/2
July Oats	19 1/2	19 1/2
July Pork	\$7 65	\$7 60
July Lard	4 82	4 70

Make it a point to see that your blood is purified, enriched and vitalized at this season with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

When fevers and other epidemics are around, safety lies in fortifying the system with Ayer's Sarsaparilla. A person having thin and impure blood, is in the most favorable condition to "catch" whatever disease may be floating in the air. Be wise in time.

## Shoes, Shoes, Shoes

Ladies' Patent Tip Lace \$1.23, Ladies' Patent Tip Button \$1.23, Misses' 12 to 2 Spring Heel Dongola 98c., Misses' 12 to 2 spring heel grain 98c., child's 8 1/2 to 11 spring heel grain 75c., child's 8 1/2 to 11 spring heel Dongola 75c. Job lot of ladies' fine shoes 2 1/2 to 7 patent tip, button, 98c.; 2 1/2 to 7 patent tip, lace, 98c.; 2 1/2 to 7 common sense 98c. Solid Comfort Shoe House, 108 North street.

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10 Cts a Pound FOR FINE CHEESE. SLOAT'S Cash Store.

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We are offering a very attractive line of Separate Skirts, Duck Suits, Coats and Capes at reasonable prices.

Duck Suits as low as \$1.49

Skirts from 98 cents.

Coats and Capes at the lowest prices ever known.

Bargain in House furnishing Goods such as sheets, cases, Table Linens, etc.

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## READY-MADE CLOTHING.

We are offering some special BARGAINS in this department.—Suits and extra Pantaloon for men, youths, boys and children. Have you seen our elegant line of samples for Golf and Bicycle Suits. In Light Weight Underwear we are headquarters; all grades, men and boys' Shirts.—We carry a big line, both cheap and fine. Have you seen our new Flannel Shirts for bicycle riding? We have just received a big invoice of Belts, Straw Hats, Straw Hats, Light Hats and the new Golf Yacht Cap.

## Merchant Tailoring Department

Is still running with orders. Why? Because we carry the latest in goods for suits, overcoats and extra trousers. Then Mr. Rodgers is sure to please you.

## JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter, Clothier, Merchant Tailor and Gents' Furnisher

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50 styles Standard Dress Ginghams 5c a yard

50 styles fine Zephyr Ginghams 6c per yard.

Our Printed Dimity, 50 patterns, at 8c, is worth 12 1/2c.

We show Printed Organdies, Persian styles, at 12 1/2c; worth 18c.

Wool Serges at 22c per yard.

20 styles Black and Navy Dress Goods, plain and fancy, \$2.28 and \$3.69 per dress.

New Dressed Silks—very low prices.

White Goods, checks, stripes, etc., from 5c up.

Twenty styles Ladies' Summer Underwear 8, 10, 12 1/2-2c.

## H. E. Churchill & Co.,

89 NORTH ST.

## NEW TO-DAY.

New Bermuda Potatoes, Home-Grown Asparagus, Green Peas, Yellow Wax Beans, New Beets, Pineapples and Strawberries, California Seedless Oranges, Nice Bananas, Neufchatel Cream Cheese, Meadow Sweet Cheese, Try our Fine Teas and Coffees.

## BROSS & MUNDY,

42 NORTH ST. TELEPHONE 39, Bond Checks on Cash Sales, etc.

## Samuel Lipfeld,

25 NORTH ST

Directs attention to their large assortment of

Men's Bicycle Suits, with caps to match,

FROM \$4.50 UP.

A special offer.

A 50 Cent Leather Belt

for 23 Cents.

SAMUEL LIPFELD,

25 North Street.

## J. D. HORTON, AGT

No. 27 West Main St.

## Low Prices. Good Goods.

Fancy Fresh Elgin Butter 10c, very best Dairy 17c, good, fair grades, 16c; large, fresh Smoked Hams 94c; Small Hams 10c; Shoulders 7c; fine Salt Pork 6c.

12 Cakes Long Branch Soap 25c.

Fine Granulated Sugar \$5.40 a 100 Lbs.

Seven pounds for 35c. Strawberries and Fine Vegetables fresh every day.

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## Hanford & Horton,

6 NORTH ST.

## Those \$5.85 Suits

were sellers. Only medium sizes left. See what we are now offering in a

## MEN'S SUIT FOR \$5

and a

## Spring Overcoat for \$6.

Saturday we will show you some bargains in our Children's Department.

## 75 All Wool Suits, 5 to 15, \$1.50.

## 50 ALL WOOL SUITS, 5 TO 15, \$2.

## 50 All Wool Suits, 5 to 15, \$3.00.

## 50 ALL WOOL SUITS, 5 TO 15, \$3.50.

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13 WEST MAIN STREET.

## HE WHO READS

Will run to the Blue Front Store before all those famous Men's All Wool Suits at \$6 are sold. They are selling fast, but we have a good variety on hand. They are not the "every day" bargains, but well made, neat styles, equal to most \$10 suits. Cheviot Suits, in black or gray, on y \$4.

## Morris B. Wolf,

10 North St.



# WE HAVE BEEN IN The Furniture Business Over 23 Years.

But never before have we had such a varied and complete assortment of Furniture, Carpets, etc., as we have this spring, especially carpets, and the prices; well, we won't say anything about that. Come in and see for yourself.

We have a few Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines that we will close out at half price. The best machine in the world.

**C. E. CRAWFORD  
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OUR "FAMOUS" SODA WATER owes its popularity to the purity of our Fruit Juices and the perfection of our methods.

We know that our Fruit Juices and Flavors are sweet, clean and wholesome for they are all "our own make" and from selected fruit. Our "Famous" Ice Cream Soda, 5 cents.

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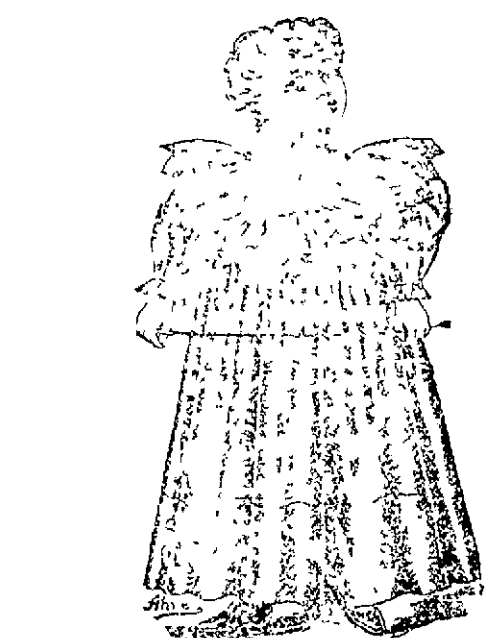
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Baby Dresses—all prices.  
Child's Guimps "  
Boys' Blouses "  
Baby Coats "

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7 West Main St., Middletown, N. Y.

## THE ARGUS.

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1896

### WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.—Forecasting weather with showers, to-night and Friday; warmer, to-night, southerly winds.

### THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at Prank's drug store, to-day:  
7 a. m., 60°; 12 m., 73°; 3 p. m., 73°.

### AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—May 12-17—Parada and Spielkartenfest for benefit of Thrall Hospital, at Casino.  
—May 20—Grand opening of Midway Park.  
—May 21—Third Scholastic Club contest, a First Basist.  
—May 30—Excursion to New York via Erie Railroad.  
—May 30—Excursion to West Point and New York via N. Y. O and W. Railroad.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Bargains in millinery at L. Stern's.  
—"The old story of a dollar" see Church-ill's adv.  
—Farm stock for sale by F. R. Bonnell.  
—Fine chaise 10 cents at J. W. Sloan's.  
—Wool suits at Morris B. Wolf's.  
—Dress gingham 5 cents a yard at Weller & Demerest.  
—Exhibit of cottons at O. N. Predm re's.  
—Baths at Y. M. C. A. rooms.  
—Car load of cows for sale by E. Ayers.  
—Disposal of the kidneys and liver—Dr. Kauter's Favorite Remedy.  
—Doctor yourself with Munyon's remedies.  
—Borden's condensed milk sold by dealers.  
—Watches given away with Mail Pouch.  
—Ba gains in footwear at J. H. Rosenkrantz's.

### LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—A band concert will be held at the park from 3 to 5 p. m., to-day.  
—The Warwick Dispatch says that Mrs. Grinnell Burt was reported as better, yesterday.

—Sixty-one liquor tax certificates have been issued in Delaware county and the receipts have been \$9,450.

—The wiring of Newton, N. J., for a telephone system has been begun by the Hudson River Company.

—Five men paid \$20 each for spearing two bass at Swartwood Lake, in Sussex county, Saturday night. Fish at \$50 each are very expensive.

—A cocker spaniel, supposed to have been mad, was shot and killed in Warwick, yesterday, by Mr. E. O. Etzall. No one was bitten.

—Contractor McWilliams is having the granite blocks set on the north wall of the new academy building, the foundation for which has been laid some time.

—Over a hundred teachers are in attendance at the institute for the First Commissioner's District, which is being held in Warden, this week.

—The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will meet, to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, at Mrs. F. D. Youngblood's on East avenue.

—The annual convention of the State Sunday School Association will be held in the Broadway Tabernacle, New York, June 2, 3 and 4. Special rates of fare and low hotel rates have been secured.

### PERSONAL.

—Mr. John Pugh, of New York city, is in town visiting relatives and friends.

—Major Fritz Sturm, of Paterson, is in town calling upon his old friends.

### AT THE RIFLE RANGE.

Members of the 24th Make Good Scores at 200 Yards but Go to Piece at 300 Yards—Sergeant Strack in the Lead for the Talcott Trophy

Sergeant E. C. Strack has a splendid lead in the contest for the Talcott Trophy, with a score of 40. Capt. McIntyre announced, yesterday, that the commissioned officers would not compete for the trophy, and therefore his score of 40 will be thrown out.

Some excellent scores were made at 200 yards and the indications were that Private Gausman's record of 41, made last year, would be wiped out, but for some reason nearly all the men went to pieces at the 300 yard target, and low scores were the result.

Private Steedman made 21 out of a possible 35 at 300 yards but could only get 12 at 200 yards.

Forty-four men qualified as marksmen in the two days, which is an excellent percentage.

Capt. N. B. Thurston was present all day yesterday and gave many valuable points in regard to rifle practice.

The scores yesterday were as follows:

Sgt. E. C. Strack.....	20	300	Tot
Priv. J. F. Dusenberry....	23	16	38
" J. E. Decker .....	17	20	37
" R. Moran .....	20	17	37
" T. K. DeWitt .....	20	17	37
" H. Steedman .....	24	12	36
Corp. J. E. Barnes .....	20	16	36
Lieut. M. O. Ashley .....	21	14	35
Sgt. A. L. Decker .....	21	14	35
Corp. A. E. Nicklinson .....	21	13	34
" M. Dudley .....	16	18	34
Priv. H. Thornton .....	17	17	34
" D. Eibenberger .....	21	12	33
" S. H. Bengtson .....	17	16	32
" J. K. Carpenter .....	18	14	32
" Geo. Emerson .....	18	14	32
" E. J. Emerson .....	17	15	32
" W. Chambers .....	15	17	32
" G. Marks .....	20	12	32
" E. M. Decker .....	16	16	32
" L. Weigenroth .....	16	16	32
" S. Gausman .....	17	14	31
" J. O'Brien .....	17	13	30
" B. Townsend .....	15	15	30
" Geo. Bailey .....	19	11	30
Corp. J. A. Hoar .....	16	14	30

## THE PARADA AND SPIELKARTENFEST

All Who Saw Last Night's Performance More Than Pleased—The Dances All Go as Dances Ought to—The Fire Dance—The Game of Living Whist—The Matinees Prove Very Attractive—Notes of Interest.

The second performance of the Parada and Spielkartenfest, for the benefit of Thrall Hospital, was given last evening before a large and delighted audience.

The dancers, more confident of themselves than on the opening night, danced with more life and spirit, and the hearty and continued applause elicited showed how thoroughly the audience appreciated and enjoyed the beauty, variety and perfect execution of the different dances.

The Rainbow Dance which, owing to a mistake in the music, was not a success on the opening night, was a distinct success, last night. The young ladies danced well, managed their flowing draperies with ease and grace and, in the shifting lights, presented a series of beautiful pictures. Miss Beattie Beers, in a very striking Goddess of Liberty dress, made her first appearance in this dance, last night.

The Fire Dance was given for the first time last night, and elicited very hearty applause. Miss Claribel Pillsbury gave the dance with her usual grace. She was dressed in white, and carried a wide white sash, with which she imitated the motions of the whirling of flames about her, and the effect of fire was given by the changing colors of the calcium light with a realistic effect that is easily appreciated when seen but cannot be described.

### THE MATINEE

The matinee, yesterday afternoon, was well attended and the entertainment was a most pleasing one. The children's dances delighted all who saw them, and the things that the "tots" did as they ought not to have done or did as they ought not to have done were equally amusing. Some who have seen both afternoon and evening performances say that the matinees are fully as entertaining as the more elaborate programmes of the evening, and that those who fail to see the Japs and the Flowers and Bees miss half the show.

There has been no such crowd at any time thus far as at the Casino at this afternoon's matinee. Every seat on the first floor and nearly every one in the balcony and many in the gallery are filled and many people are standing. The people began to purchase tickets shortly after 1 o'clock and at 1:30 over \$5 had been taken in at the box office.

Some of those present of course came in on Mr. Adams' excursion, but there are also many persons from Goshen and other places who cannot attend the evening performances. The majority of the audience, however, is made up of Middletown people who are growing more and more interested in the entertainment and want to see all there is of the show. All who attended were amply repaid by the extra fine programme.

### LIVING WHIST.

Much interest was taken in the game of living whist and it was one of the most pleasing and attractive features of the evening's entertainment.

Luck was with Messrs. Buckley and Jordan in the deal, for they each received five trumps. Messrs. Fellows and Merritt had some good cards in the plain suits but their opponents trumped them ruthlessly and the game ended with a score of 9 to 4.

It is not generally known but it is a fact that the court jester who deals the living cards has no more power or favor of any of the players than has a fair dealer when dealing from a pack of cards. In the shuffle dance, the red, black and count cards are thoroughly mingled and they are left by the jester, four at a time, with each player until only four cards remain when they are dealt one at a time. They go to the different players in the order in which they happen to be NOTES.

—The booths were liberally patronized, last night, their receipts having been \$110.

—Chances on the beautiful flag draped from the logs on the left of the stage are selling rapidly at twenty-five cents.

—The beautiful cut glass vase, for which chances are being sold at the fancy booth, is the gift of Mrs. Henry M. Denton, of New York, a sister of Mrs. Horton, Chairman of the Fancy Booth Committee.

—The ladies in charge of the flower booth appreciate the generosity of those who have contributed to their department, and ask us to express their thanks to Gray Brothers, who donated the Easter lilies, so much admired; to Firnhaber for flowers; to Bartholomew for his skillful decorations; to Belding for the beautiful palms; to the New York Store for ribbons and to B. L. Smith for paper.

—To-day and Friday a beautiful palm, now on exhibition in the flower booth, will be voted upon for the most popular lady in the Gondolier Dance. If you have a friend among the gondolier ladies step up to the Flower Booth and buy a vote.

—The ladies at the Flower Booth will dispose of a plant of some kind by chance every afternoon and evening. Better call and see the plant—and the ladies.

—Several handkerchiefs lost at the Casino now await owners at the Flower Booth.

## THE RAINES LAW IN ORANGE COUNTY

The County Treasurer Has Received \$71,210 and Issued 330 Certificates—The Receipt by Towns.

The Port Jervis Gazette learns from County Treasurer Mead that he has issued 330 liquor tax certificates under the Raines law and has received \$71,210. In the report by cities and towns of certificates issued, which is published in the Gazette, and which we print below, Middletown is credited with but nine certificates. This is explained by the fact that many hotels and saloons which will take out certificates later are now selling under licenses which were extended by the Excise Board in anticipation of the enactment of the Raines law. It is probable that at least forty more dealers in this city will pay the tax, making the total for the city \$17,150.

The following table shows the number of certificates issued in each city and town and the amounts received therefor:

	No. Cert. Issued	Single Tax	Total
Chester .....	5	\$30	\$1,000
	1	100	10
	1	75	75
Crawford .....	5	\$10	\$50
Goshen .....	18	\$300	\$5,400
	1	100	100
	2	75	150
	1	15	15
Hamptonburgh .....	3	\$100	\$300
Middletown .....	4	\$100	\$400
	1	50	50
			\$450
Wallkill .....	5	\$100	\$500
Greenville .....	1	\$100	\$100
Warwick .....	16	\$100	\$1,600
	3	75	225
	3	75	225
	5	200	1,000
			\$2,775
Newburgh City .....	91	\$30	\$2,730
	22	30	660
	2	30	60
			\$3,450
Newburgh Town .....	16	\$100	\$1,600
	1	50	50
			\$1,650
Montgomery .....	7	\$300	\$2,100
	4	100	400
	1	75	75
			\$2,575
New Windsor .....	17	\$100	\$1,700
Monroe .....	4	\$100	\$400
	1	200	200
	1	50	50
	1	10	10
			\$600
Highlands .....	3	\$100	\$300
	4	20	80
	2	75	150
			\$1,250
Tuxedo .....	2	\$100	\$200
	1	50	50
			\$250
Middletown .....	9	\$350	\$3,150
Port Jervis .....	40	\$200	\$8,000
Deerpark .....	7	100	700
	4	100	400
			\$13,100

No applications were received from the towns of Cornwall, Wawayanda, Blooming Grove and Woodbury, which are "no license."

### Epworth League to Meet With Baptist Young People's Union.

The Epworth League of St. Paul's M. E. Church will meet with the Baptist Young People's Union at its regular weekly meeting, to-morrow, Friday evening. A very pleasant service is anticipated.

### Ascension Day services.

This is Ascension Day and was observed at St. Joseph's Church by the celebration of masses at 7 and 9 o'clock, this morning. At Grace Church there was a service at 10 o'clock, this morning, and another will be held at 7.30, this evening.

### Parada Tickets in Great Demand.

Tickets for to-night's performance of the Parada and Spielkartenfest are in such demand that only a few reserved seats remain unsold. The chart for to-morrow is also well marked off, but some choice seats are still left.

### Ninety Per Cent

Of all the people need to take a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla at this season to prevent that run down and debilitated condition which invites disease. The money invested in half a dozen bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla will come back with large returns in the health and vigor of body and strength of nerves.

HOOD'S PILLS are easy to buy, easy to take, easy to operate. Cure all liver ills. 25c.

A child was cured of croup by a dose or two of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. A neighbor's child died of the same disease, while the father was getting ready to call the doctor. This shows the necessity of having Ayer's Cherry Pectoral always at hand.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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ABSOLUTELY PURE

## AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

### INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

Change of Date—Disturbance on the Park—The Parada—Alligators for the Green Fountain—To Marry a Goshen Lady—Planning a Practical Charity.

From Our Regular Correspondent.  
—The date of Brown's Extravaganza Co.'s appearance at Music Hall, has been changed to 22nd and 23rd inst.

—There was a disturbance on the "Green," last night, in which Sam. White, a Goshen "dark," his daughter, several other coons and several flatirons were conspicuous figures.

—A number of Goshen people attend nightly the Parada and Spielkartenfest, at the Middletown Casino.

—Five alligators will be placed in the park fountain, this summer. They were brought from Florida by Robert Hock.

—The Newburgh Journal is responsible for the following: "The new pastor of the Congregational Church on the Heights, Rev. E. F. Neilson, will soon be married. His fiancée is a resident of Goshen, having recently removed there from Brooklyn."

—Thomas Robinson is temporarily filling a position as station agent at Como, Pa.

—Rev. Geo. C. Betts will preach a memorial sermon to the G. A. R. Post, on Sunday evening, May 24th.  
—Mr. Wm. P. Stewart sailed for Europe, Wednesday.

—An effort is being made by the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian Church to rent the Geo. C. Bradner farm, just west of Goshen, near the trolley line, and fit it as a retreat for convalescent children patients of the New York Hospital.

—The record of vital statistics show, that from May 1st, 1881, until May 1st, 1896, the number recorded in the town of Goshen, (including Orange Farm Almshouse) was deaths 1,564, births 1,002 and marriages 453.

### ELECTRIC ROAD'S NEW TIME CARD

A Fifteen Minute Service Between This City and the Park and Goshen.

The Traction Company will adopt a new time card on Monday, which it is believed will give better service to the patrons of the road. The three North street cars will run through from the band stand in the North End to Goshen and return, and the merry go round will run from the State Hospital to Genung street, instead of Woodlawn avenue as at present. This will give a fifteen minute service to and from Goshen, to the North End and to the State Hospital.

### Inspecting the Erie's Crawford Branch

General Superintendent Fitch and Division Superintendent Maguire and other officials are making an inspection of the Crawford Branch, this afternoon. Incidentally they will look after the completion of arrangements for building the new depot at Pine Bush.

### Faster Local Train Service on the Erie

The Warwick Dispatch learns that General Passenger Agent Roberts of the Erie is devoting his attention to the betterment of the road's suburban service, and it is probable that a new train will be put on which will run from Middletown and Warwick to New York in two hours.

One application of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil takes away the pain of the most severe burn. It is an ideal family liniment.

**GAIL BORDEN  
EAGLE Brand**  
"CONDENSED MILK."  
**Has No Equal**  
SOLD EVERYWHERE

## WE ARE STILL GIVING AWAY

Thirty-trip Trolley Books at the Bee Hive Bring in your tickets and have them punched. Just received large invoice Turkish Bath Towels, extra size, 2 1/2 for 25c.

# Ladies' Muslin Underwear!

Another invoice of our popular make of Ladies' Muslin Underwear, quality the best, variety the largest, styles the latest. Salesladies in attendance.]

## SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY.

One lot Dress Gingham 5 cents a yard.

# WELLER & DEMEREST.

## Populists Convention in This City.

The Populists of this Congressional district will hold their convention in this city, May 30, to choose delegates to the national convention at St. Louis, July 22.

The neglect of a cold is often fatal. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup contains all the soothing virtues of the pine. Never fails to cure.

For Itching Piles, Irritation of the genital, or itching in any part of the body, Doan's Ointment is worth its weight in gold. No matter how longstanding the trouble, Doan's Ointment will not fail to give instant relief.

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# LADIES'

## New Shirt Waists!

in great variety at

48, 50, 75c, \$1, \$1.25,

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Ladies' White Linen Collars [separate, style correct.

New Neckwear. Shirt Waist Sets, complete, from 25c up.

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Elegant Silk, Satin,

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Capes and Jackets at almost your own price.

Regular 15c Organdies [at 12 1/2c a yard, 2 1/2 for 25c

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CITY MISSIONARY UNION.  
Fourteenth Annual Meeting—Election of Officers—Reports of the Officers—The Union's Good Work.

The fourteenth annual meeting of the City Missionary Union was held yesterday. The election of officers resulted in the choice of the following:

President—Mrs. Horton Vail.  
Vice-Presidents—Mrs. C.E. O'Neil, Mrs. L. V. Sinsabaugh.  
Secretary—Mrs. Geo. A. Swalm.  
Treas. of Relief Department—Mrs. Ira M. Corwin.  
Treas. of Industrial Branch—Mrs. R. M. Rorty.

The report of the secretary, Mrs. Geo. A. Swalm, showed that the Union had been active in good work during the year. The report is as follows:

During the past year the relief work of this organization has been carried on in about the same manner as formerly.

The emergency committees have visited every case that has come to their knowledge and have given all assistance in food, clothing or medicine as in their judgment was needed; at the same time striving to discriminate between the worthy and the worthless poor.

The Sunday School at the Children's Home has been conducted by a competent and faithful corps of workers. Miss Estella Mattison as superintendent reports that the children have done excellent work, several having received testaments as a reward for a year of perfect lessons.

The sewing school, which we consider one of the most important branches of our work and which has been in operation many years, reopened in the autumn under the superintendency of Mrs. Ira M. Corwin. She reports an average attendance of seventy and that the sewing and personal appearance of the girls have both shown marked improvement. Three hundred and fifty-six garments have been completed and taken home by them this season. Besides sewing, these girls are taught many other useful life lessons.

Through the generosity of a staunch friend we were enabled to open two new departments, a cooking school and a boys' branch.

Mrs. Rorty had charge of the cooking school and reports that thirty-three pupils were enrolled to whom twenty-three lessons were given. She also says that a number of girls have put in practice at their homes the lessons learned, among the most important of which is bread making.

The boys' branch with Mrs. O'Neil as superintendent, opened with ten, but the number increased so rapidly that it soon had to be divided into two sections, called the Friday and Tuesday Night Clubs. The object of this work is the entertainment and improvement of the boys, various methods being employed to attain this result.

To the press and merchants of our city as well as to all who have contributed in any way to the success of our work, the Missionary Union extends hearty thanks.

The report of Mrs. Ira M. Corwin, Treasurer of the Relief Department, was as follows:

Balance on hand May 8th, 1895	\$ 52.23
Received during year	134.49
Total	186.72
Disbursed	150.37
Balance on hand May 12th, 1896	\$ 36.35

Mrs. Sarah E. Vail, Treasurer of the Industrial Branch, reported as follows, from Dec. 11th, 1895, to May 1st, 1896:

RECEIPTS	
Mr. H. K. Wilcox	\$ 50.00
Mrs. Thrall	1.00
Missionary Union	22.19
Mr. George Thompson	50.00
Mr. Jess (Carter)	5.00
Mr. H. K. Wilcox	50.00
Total	\$178.19

EXPENDITURES	
Sewing School	\$ 5.00
Cooking School	27.85
Boys' Club	30.25
Total	\$ 63.10
Balance	\$115.09

Bees Killed by Poisonous Honey.  
Beekeepers in Wayne county, Pa., have found that many of their bees have died during the winter from eating poisonous honey, stored last season when the dry weather cut short the flowers from which they usually gather sweets. Several bee culturists have lost from fifty to eighty hives.

Fast Time on the Erie.  
The engineers' engine, formerly the E. B. Thomas, now 490, which is now running on the Suquehanna Division of the Erie, ran from Elmira to Osgo, Tuesday, with six coaches at the rate of sixty miles an hour.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly falling to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address:

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, 75c.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache, A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

WURTSBORO.  
The Village's Widows—Want to Put in Water Works—A Village Hall Fund—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.  
—Our widow item was somewhat wrong. A careful canvass was made and shows that there are seventeen on the north and two on the south side of Sullivan street.

—Potatoes twenty-five cents per bushel; butter twenty cents per pound; eggs one cent each and ice cream five cents a dish!

—Application has been made to the village officers by a regularly organized company to put in a system of water works. The matter is under consideration, and as soon as all possible information is collected a meeting of residents will be called to hear their views on the subject.

—The Choral Society met, last Friday evening, to decide what to do with their surplus funds. A village hall seemed to be the thing most needed, and it was voted to continue the organization under the name of the Wurtsboro Choral and Village Improvement Society, and that the money be used to start a village hall fund. The united efforts of about seventy young people will doubtless make the hall a reality before long. Next meeting at school building, Monday evening, May 18, when by-laws will be presented by the committee in charge. Bring your music book always.

—The Willing Workers will hold a festival on the Reformed Church lawn, Friday evening, June 15th.

—Rev. Mr. Lavelle will hold service at Henry Budd's, near Masten Lake, Sunday, May 24, at 3 p. m.

—The sixth anniversary of the organization of the Epworth League will be duly observed, next Sunday evening, at the M. E. Church.

—Will Harding has returned from a stay of three months at Thrall Hospital, Middletown. His condition is somewhat better.

—Charlie Bennett left last week for Ploecia, N. Y., where he has a position as telegrapher on the U. and D. R. R.

—Holmes, who was executed last week in Philadelphia, was a classmate of our Dr. Piper at the University of Michigan in 1884.

—Well directed efforts of Engineer Tattam and Fire Warden Beaudet, with a force of men, saved much of the Sullivan County Club property from destruction by fire last week.

—An entertainment will be given in the Wurtsboro M. E. Church, on Wednesday evening, May 20th, at 7:30, for the benefit of the Epworth League. An interesting programme will be rendered, consisting of music, recitations, etc., by home talent. General admission ten cents.

MOUNT SALEM.  
Funeral of Mrs. Carpenter—Death of J. L. Clark—Personal Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.  
—The funeral of Mrs. Julia Carpenter, of Port Jervis, was held at the church at Mt. Salem, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Edwards, pastor of the church, and listened to by a large assemblage. Mrs. Carpenter was eighty-four years old, and spent the greater part of her life near this place. The past few years she spent at Port Jervis and Port Jervis. The body was interred in the old cemetery near the church.

—Mr. J. L. Clark, who has been ailing the past few months, died Saturday, at his home below Mt. Salem. The funeral was held at the house, Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Clark is survived by his wife and three children. Mrs. John J. Courtwright, Mrs. Lovetus Brink, and one son, all of whom reside near this place.

—Mrs. Sanford Vail moved back to her farm below Mt. Salem, last week, and has offered the same for sale. Having no tenant and being alone she is too old to have the cares of a farm.

—Miss Mertie Robinson, of Middletown, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Bowdewine Courtwright, near here.

—Mrs. Mary Connelly and daughter, of Middletown, are visiting her father, Mr. B. Courtwright, and her sister, Mrs. Moses Cole, for a few days.

—Dr. Carpenter, of New York city, attended the funeral of Mrs. Carpenter, Sunday morning, at Mt. Salem.

—Mrs. Sidney J. Westfall, of Auburn, N. Y., is expected to visit her mother and other friends, in a few days.

—Mrs. J. Jay Smith spent a few days in Middletown, last week.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.  
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.  
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.  
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Burdock Blood Bitters is nature's true remedy for constipation and kindred ills. It acts directly on the bowels, the liver, the skin, and while cleansing the blood imparts strength to the digestive organs.

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PINE BUSH.  
Entertainment by the Epworth League—Injured by a Falling Timber.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.  
—The young people of the Epworth League of Pine Bush M. E. Church, under the direction of Mrs. Charles Terwilliger, will give another of those grand entertainments in Wallace's Hall, Tuesday evening, May 17th, to consist of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, dialogues and tableaux with ruby lights. Good music. All are cordially invited.

—Mr. John Bowen, our dealer in lumber and ship timber, had his ankle badly injured while loading timber at the saw mill Tuesday. A heavy stick of timber fell and struck his ankle, which was then against another heavy timber. It is not believed that the bones are broken, but it is feared the joint is injured.

Waldron, the Great Horseman, Coming to Middletown.

Waldron, the great Canadian horse shipper, is coming here next week with two carloads of Canada horses that are to be sold at auction at the Bell House stables. This will be the first sale of Canada horses held here in years. It has long been conceded that for strength and durability they have no superiors. For that reason they should be in great demand by farmers and others, for a Canada mare is worth her weight in gold to breed from. One car will have workers, farm teams, express and general purpose horses; the other will contain roadsters, coaches and trotters so that they will be all kinds from the plow horse to the sulky racer. Exchanges can be made anytime before the sale, which will take place next week Thursday at the Bell House stables, at 1 o'clock, rain or shine.

STOP, STOP.  
Stop Right in Front of C. N. Predmore & Son's window and look at Exhibit of SWIFT'S COTOSUET!

Every family should be stocked up with Cotosuet.

We are Right In It AT STERN'S.

Our stock of summer Millinery is complete. We are showing all the latest styles for this season.

Stock larger than ever. We carry more millinery goods than all others together.

All our goods are bought direct from manufacturers hence we certainly save you from 33 1/3 to 50 per cent.

Our all wool Brilliantine Shirts at \$1.75 are selling great others sell them for \$2.43. Remember we are the people.

L. STERN, 13-15 North Street.

Headquarters for Rubber Goods.

A new supply of Fountain Syringes. 2 quarts, 75 cents; 3 quarts, 85 cents; 4 quarts, 95 cents. Every one warranted. Hard rubber pipes.

TUTHILL'S PHARMACY, 27 JAMES ST.

ONE CENT A WORD for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

NURSE Would like position to care for an invalid. Address M., Argus office.

TO LET—Improved—Barn, corner North street and Railroad avenue. To let or lease. Store, Henry street, formerly occupied by R. Kirchner; for sale, 10 room house, Grand avenue. 36dwt. Apply to KAUFMAN, 31 Mill street.

GIRL Wanted. Call at No. 35 East Main street 31dwt.

PROPOSALS for Painting—Proposals for painting some of the buildings of the Middletown State Hospital will be received till noon of May 21st. Specifications may be seen and blanks obtained at the office of the Hospital. 36dwt. H. J. LEONARD, Acting Steward.

PAINTING—Paper Hanging, Decorating—CHAS. J. KIDD, Jr., 70 Academy avenue is prepared to do work in the above lines, in the best style and at reasonable rates. An experience of several years in New York city enables him to guarantee first-class work. 71dwt.

OIL and Gasoline Oil for oil stoves. Send postal or ring up telephone call 111, and it will be delivered to your door in quick time. 13dwt. JAMES URAL.

M. C. FREER has opened a painting and paper hanging business at 85 Water street. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory. Prices very reasonable. M. C. FREER. 54dwt. Feb 6.

PAPER Hanging at 15¢ a roll; also all kinds of painting. Estimates on all work cheerfully furnished. 4dwt. EMIL MARTINI, shop 5 Academy Ave.

CHAS. Z. TAYLOR, Contractor and Builder, 1 Railroad avenue. Steel Ceiling a specialty.

FOR Sale—Seven Awnings for house windows. Used but one season and as good as new. Enquire at this office.

BOOKBINDING of all descriptions at McINTYRE'S, 32 North street. 4dwt.

ROOMS to Let, at 31 Liberty street. Enquire of F. J. NEARN. 10dwt.

D. R. C. THIMME, Dentist, over J. B. Swalm's grocery store, No 12 East Main street. 4dwt.

THESE are positively CRAIG'S prices for shoe repairing. Men's soles 50c. Ladies' 20c. children's from 20c. With each pair of men's or boys' shoes will be given a pair of porpoise lacers free. 22 West Main street.

FOR RENT—Four rooms on second floor in building corner of North and King streets. 4dwt. Apply to C. J. EVERSON, 4 King street.

MRS. AMOS STRUBLE, accomplished French system of cutting and fitting Dressmaking. 301 Building, 3 South street. 5dwt. Feb 23.

A BARGAIN—Only \$100 cash down, balance monthly same as rent. Will buy a fine new home on Wawayanda avenue. See EDWIN S. MERKILL, Attorney, 16 East Main St. 10dwt.

BATHS at Y. M. C. A. rooms. Tub, shower or spray, only 25 cents. 3dwt.

COWS—Will have a choice car load of fresh cows and springers at my yard, on Academy avenue, Monday morning, May 18th, 1896. L. AYERS. 10dwt.

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